

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 ATHENS 08190 141944Z

62

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-01 INR-05 L-02

NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15

USIA-06 SAM-01 AID-05 IO-10 /071 W

----- 109860

R 141500Z NOV 74

FM AMEMBASSY ATHENS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6259

INFO AMCONSUL THESSALONIKI

USMISSION NATO

CINCUSNAVEUR

USCINCEUR

CINCUSAREUR

CINCUSAFE

USDOCOSOUTH

USNMR SHAPE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE ATHENS 8190

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, GR

SUBJ: CARAMANLIS ADDRESSES CAMPAIGN ISSUES AND OTHER  
ELECTION EVENTS

1. SUMMARY: PM CARAMANLIS MADE BRIEF AND FINAL TELEVISION  
CAMPAIGN SPEECH WITH STRAIGHTFORWARD PRESENTATION OF ISSUES.  
IN ADDITION TO ANNOUNCING DATE FOR REFERENDUM ON MONARCHY  
(ATHENS 8184), CARAMANLIS DISMISSED AS IRRESPONSIBLE REPORTS  
OF GOG PLANS TO ACCENT CYPRUS PARTITION, AND IN RESPONSE  
TO DEJUNTIZATION CRITICS NOTED GOG HAS ALREADY REPLACED  
100,000 OFFICIALS. GEORGE MAVROS ADDRESSED MASS RALLY  
PREVIOUS DAY REITERATING CU/NF POSITIONS ON CYPRUS,  
ECONOMIC POLICY, AND MONARCHY. LEFTISTS ALSO HAVE  
ACCELERATED TEMPO OF CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES AS REPORTED  
SEPTEL. END SUMMARY.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 ATHENS 08190 141944Z

2. IN FINAL APPEARANCE BEFORE NATION'S TELEVISION VIEWERS

PM CARAMANLIS DELIVERED HARDEST-HITTING CAMPAIGN SPEECH TO DATE ANSWERING HIS ADVERSARIES ON MAIN CAMPAIGN ISSUES. CARAMANLIS CLARIFIED THAT IF NEW DEMOCRACY IS SUCCESSFUL AT POLLS SUNDAY, REFERENDUM ON RETURN OF KING CONSTANTINE WILL BE CALLED FOR DECEMBER 8. TURNING TO ISSUE OF SANCTIONS AGAINST JUNTA CARAMANLIS STATED GOG HAS IMPOSED BROAD ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTIONS AND REPLACED MORE THAN 100,000 OFFICIALS. HE NOTED HIS ADMINISTRATION BY CONSTITUENT ACT HAS OPENED WAY TO JUDICIAL PROSECUTION OF JUNTA LEADERSHIP AND HAS TAKEN SECURITY MEASURES AGAINST KEY RINGLEADERS BY EXILING THEM TO AEGEAN ISLAND. CARAMANLIS REFERRED TO OPPONENTS' INVEIGHING AGAINST ALLEGED "SINGLE-PARTY" STATE AND COMMENTED THAT OPPOSITION PARTIES (I.E. THOSE OTHER THAN NATIONAL RADICAL UNION AND GREEK RALLY) HAD REACHED POWER THREE TIMES WITHOUT ENCOUNTERING OBSTACLES. HE DISMISSED REPORTS OF GOG'S ENGINEERING CYPRUS PARTITION AS PRODUCT OF SICK MINDS. FINALLY WITH REFERENCE TO MIKIS THEODORAKIS' REMARK "AFTER CARAMANLIS THE TANKS" HE ASKED RHETORICALLY "WHY DO OUR OPPONENTS MENTION IT SO OFTEN SINCE IT WAS INITIALLY SAID BY WELL-KNOWN LEFTIST." CARAMANLIS CONCLUDED BY EMPHASIZING THAT SUCH OUTLOOK ON PART OF OPPONENTS IS PREJUDICIAL TO LAYING GROUNDWORK FOR DEMOCRACY. "TO SAFEGUARD DEMOCRACY, PEOPLE SHOULD VOTE TO ISOLATE THOSE WHO BY THEIR CONDUCT UNDERMINE DEMOCRACY." CARAMANLIS AS NEW DEMOCRACY'S LEADER MAKES FINAL APPEAL TO ELECTORATE AT MASS RALLY EVENING NOVEMBER 15 IN SYNTAGMA SQUARE.

3. CU/NF LAST PUBLIC GATHERING IN ATHENS TOOK PLACE NOVEMBER 12 WHEN GEORGE MAVROS CAUTIONED LARGE TURNOUT THAT CYPRUS SHOULD NOT BECOME ELECTION ISSUE. "POLICY ON THIS SUBJECT SHOULD BE SUPRA-PARTISAN AND SETTLEMENT OF PROBLEM SHOULD BE BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN TWO COMMUNITIES AND NOT BY COMPROMISE BETWEEN ATHENS AND ANKARA. MAVROS EXCLUDED PARTITION AND COMPULSORY POPULATION MOVEMENT WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS AS LEGITIMATE HEAD OF STATE. ON OTHER ISSUES CU/NF LEADER REPEATED ESTABLISHED PARTY POSITIONS--DEJUNTIZATION: PUNISH THOSE GUILTY OF CRIMES DURING SEVEN YEAR DICTATORSHIP; MONARCHY: OPPOSITION TO RETURN OF KING AND SUPPORT OF REVISIONARY PARLIAMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 ATHENS 08190 141944Z

TO DRAFT NEW CONSTITUTION; ECONOMIC POLICY: FIGHT INFLATION, DECENTRALIZATION AND REVIEW OF CONTRACTS SIGNED BY JUNTA. CU/NF FINAL RALLY WAS BETTER ORGANIZED AND MAVROS' PERFORMANCE MORE RELAXED THAN EARLIER CU/NF RALLY AT OMONIA SQUARE LAUNCHING CAMPAIGN. YESTERDAY MAVROS SPOKE AT MASS GATHERING IN CORFU UNDERSCORING CU/NF'S BELIEF IN IMPORTANCE OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION.

4. CU/NF YOUGH DIRECTOR AND CANDIDATE FROM ATHENS, ALEXANDROS PANAGOULIS, WOULD-BE ASSASSIN OF PAPADOPOULOS, CONTRIBUTED TO CAMPAIGN'S INFIGHTING BY ACCUSING ANDREAS PAPANDREOU OF TREASON AGAINST DEMOCRACY FOR BREAKING WITH CENTER UNION. ANOTHER CU LEADER, NO RUNNING AS INDEPENDENT, JOHN ZIGDIS, ALSO ATTACKED PAPANDREOU, ACCUSING HIM OF SCARING VOTERS AWAY WITH HIS EXAGGERATED SOCIALIST VIEWS. CU/NF FINAL RALLIES WILL BE OUTSIDE OF ATHENS WITH MAVROS MAKING LAST TV APPEARANCE FRIDAY EVENING.

5. AWAR FOR MOST UNIQUE RALLY OF CAMPAIGN GOES TO GAROUFALIAS' NATIONAL DEMOCRACY UNION PARTY WHEN MAJORITY OF APPROXIMATELY 15,000 PERSONS ASSEMBLED NOVEMBER 11 TURNED OUT TO BE OPPONENTS OF EDE. GAROUFALIAS' SPEECH WAS DELIVERED AGAINST BACKGROUND OF OPPOSITION CHANTING AND GOOD-NATURED FACETIOUS JEERING WITH SLOGANS "NO LONG HAIR FOR PATTAKOS," "SAVE THE JUNTA FROM THE PEOPLE," "YOU ARE SO SWEET," "NATO, CIA, HAPPINESS," ETC. PRESS ESTIMATED ONLY 500 EDE SUPPORTERS PRESENT, SOME OF WHOM BECAME INVOLVED IN MINOR SCUFFLES WHICH POLICE BROKE UP. GAROUFALIAS PREVIOUS DAY ISSUED STATEMENT REVEALING THAT GREECE'S DEFENSE PLAN IN EVENT OF ATTACK FROM NORTH PROVIDED FOR CONCESSION OF THRACE AND EASTERN MACEDONIA. MINISTRY OF DEFENSE PROMPTLY ISSUED CATEGORICAL DENIAL.

6. FINAL ATHENS POLITICAL RALLY IS RESERVED FOR PM CARAMANLIS AND NEW DEMOCRACY. ND HEADQUARTERS EXPECTS MAXIMUM CROWD OF ABOUT 200,000. NO POLITICAL ACTIVITIES ARE PERMITTED NOVEMBER 16 AS BALLOTING BEGINS AT DAWN NOVEMBER 17 AND CONTINUES TO SUNSET. NATIONAL ELECTION CENTER IN MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND PRESS HEADQUARTERS IN GRANDE BRETAGNE HOTEL HAVE BEEN SET UP FOR RAPID VOTE COUNTING AND DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT NEARLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 04 ATHENS 08190 141944Z

ALL OF NATION'S 12,000 VOTING CENTERS (NO CENTER WITH MORE THAN 600 VOTERS) WILL HAVE REGISTERED BALLOTING RESULTS WITH ELECTIONS CENTER BY MIDNIGHT NOVEMBER 17. KUBISCH

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PARTY LINE, SPEECHES, ELECTION CAMPAIGNS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 14 NOV 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** cunninfx  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974ATHENS08190  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D740329-0459  
**From:** ATHENS  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19741145/aaaablrh.tel  
**Line Count:** 158  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION EUR  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** cunninfx  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 15 MAY 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <15 MAY 2002 by martinml>; APPROVED <18 MAR 2003 by cunninfx>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** CARAMANLIS ADDRESSES CAMPAIGN ISSUES AND OTHER ELECTION EVENTS  
**TAGS:** PINT, GR, (KARAMANLIS, CONSTANTINE)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005